Health Information Exchange/Health-IT Update to the Green Mountain Care Board

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DVHA and VITL are Meeting Their Legislative Obligations

- Act 187 (H.901): Progress Update
- HIE Plan: Next Steps

Act 187 of 2018 Requirements are on Track

- □ A Work Plan with timelines and objectives to assist the General Assembly in evaluating the success or failure of DVHA and VITL's work *Due: May 1, 2018*
- □Written **Progress Updates** from DVHA and VITL to the General Assembly and the GMCB on implementing the recommendations from the Act 73 evaluation report *Due: By May 1, July 1, September 1, November 1, 2018, January 1, 2019*
- □ A Contingency Plan triggered if DVHA and VITL are unable to implement the recommendations from report Due: September 1, 2018
- □ A **Third-Party Evaluation** of DVHA's and VITL's progress toward implementing the recommendations from the report *Due: October 15, 2018*
- ■Submission of the **Health Information Technology Plan** to the GMCB *Due: November 1 (annually)*
- □ A recommendation on Vermont's consent policy *Due: January 15, 2019*
- □ A recommendation on how to improve the utility and interoperability of EHRs and HIE *Due: January 15, 2019*

Specific Progress Since our Last Update

- Capitol Health Associates completed the HIE Contingency Plan called for in Act 187
- HealthTech Solutions completed the third-party evaluation called for in Act 187
- In September, DVHA kicked-off an HIE Plan Roadshow to engage stakeholders in the HIE planning process and build awareness of the proposed HIE Governance Model
- The HIE Steering Committee is finalizing the state-wide HIE strategic plan, which will be delivered to the GMCB on November 1
- DVHA and VITL are currently negotiating a calendar year 2019 contract

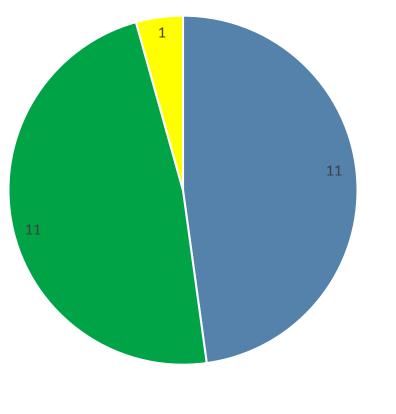
The Third Party Evaluation is Complete

Act 187 of 2018

By October 15, DVHA will provide the legislature and the GMCB with "the results of an evaluation, which shall be conducted by an independent entity with expertise in health information technology, of the work plan, the contingency plan, and the Department's and VITL's progress toward implementing the recommendations in the Act 73 report."

Evaluator Found that HIE Work is Either Complete or Making Progress

Act 73 Evaluation Report Recommendations



Of the 23
Recommendations,
12 were completed
and 11 are making
sufficient progress.

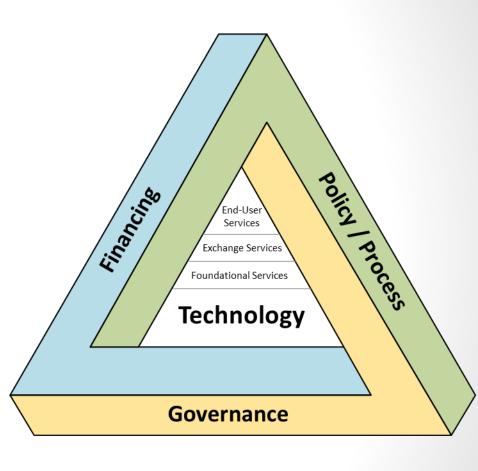
Making Satisfactory Progress

Complete

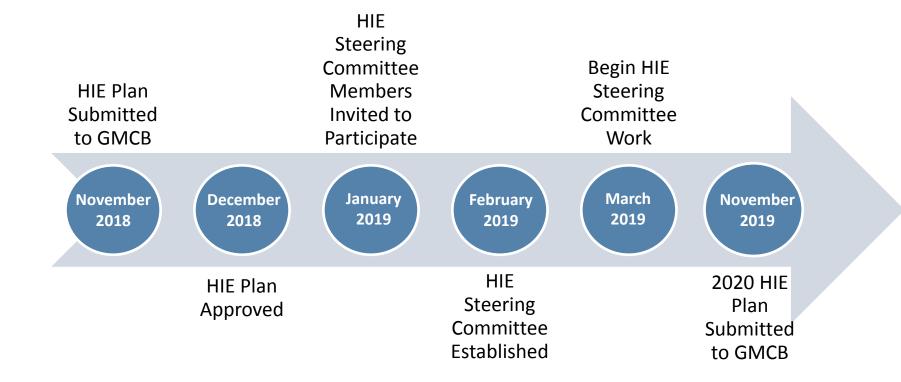
Complete But Additional Consideration Required

The HIE Steering Committee Continues to Refine HIE Plan Goals

- Guiding Principles:
 - Give policy makers and regulators a document that illustrates the path forward for strategic vision and accountability
 - Demystify health information exchange by clearly articulating where we've been, the current state, and where we're going
 - Target the needs of the people using the health system (not solely the technology)
 - Emphasize the interdependent component parts required to achieve success – Technology, Financing, Policy/Process and Governance
 - Focus on achievable progress in clear alignment with desired outcomes



HIE Plan: Next Steps



Questions?